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New U.S. Patent Application

Title: METHOD FOR THE AUTOMATED MANUFACTURE OF PURE SO<sub>2</sub>  
FROM SULFUR AND OXYGEN

Inventors: Oscar David LABRAÑA VALDIVIA and Hans HANKE ALTMANN

Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

1. Application- 18 pages, including 1 independent claim and 26 claims total.
2. Drawings- 4 sheets of drawings containing 4 figures. (Figures 1-4).
3. Declaration and Power of Attorney.
4. Recordation Form Cover Sheet and Assignment to QUIMETAL INDUSTRIAL S.A..
5. Certified copy of Chilean Application No. 2545-2002, filed November 6, 2002.
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Basic Application Filing Fee					\$750	\$ \$750.00
	Number of Claims		Basic	Extra Claims		
Total Claims	26	-	20	6	x \$18	108.00
Independent Claims	1	-	3		x \$84	
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Applicants claim the right to priority based on Chilean Application No. 2545-2002, filed November 6, 2002.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional filing fees due and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or §1.17 during the pendency of this application to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

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